



St. Mary's Catholic Church

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THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

September 23, 2018

Psalm: The Lord holds up my life.

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16-4:3; Mark 9:30-37

Sunday Schedule

All take place in the Parish Center

8:30 AM Eucharist (Eng.)
9:30 AM Faith Formation (Eng.)
11:00 AM Eucharist (Eng.)
12 Noon Faith Formation (Viet.)
1:30 PM Eucharist (Viet.)
4:30 PM Faith Formation (Spa.)
5:00-5:30 PM Sac. Of Recon.
6:15 PM Eucharist (Spa.)

Saturdays

9:00 AM Novena in honor of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal (Small Church)
Eucharist follows
10:00 AM – 12:00 Noon English Charismatic Group (Small Church)
4:30 PM Sac. of Recon.
5:30 PM Eucharist (Small Church)

Holy Days of Obligation (English Mass)

7:15 AM - Small Church
12:00 noon - Small Church
Daily Eucharist (Mon – Fri)
7:30 AM (Small Church).
Coffee and Morning Prayer follows (Parish Center).

Eucharistic Adoration
10 A.M – 11: 00 A.M. On 1st.
Sunday of the month.
(Small Church)

Today's readings invite us to become great in the sight of God by doing His will, as Jesus did, by surrendering our lives in the service of others. With the paradox of the first becoming the last, Jesus stands conventional wisdom on its head. Jesus wants His apostles to substitute their ambition to rule with the ambition to serve, thus becoming the last. We are all called to serve, regardless of our position or role in the family, society, or the Church because true greatness lies in being the servant of all. We become great through humble, self-giving service. Greatness, in Jesus' view, is found in our willingness to accept, welcome and serve those who are considered unacceptable and undeserving by reason of class, color, religion, wealth or culture. We must welcome people the way a child welcomes them before he is taught discrimination. If we are to be truly great, we must be ready to accept four challenges: to put ourselves last, to be the servant of all, to receive the most insignificant human beings with love and to expect nothing in return. During Holy Mass, let us pray for the true spirit of service and an attitude of love for those around us. We need to ask the Holy Spirit to help us to become truly great through humble and selfless service. Mother Teresa puts it like this: "Be the living expression of God's kindness through humble service. Show kindness in your face, kindness in your eyes, kindness in your smile and kindness in your warm greeting." The Missionaries of Charity, the order of nuns founded by Mother Teresa, live by this motto: "The fruit of silence is prayer. The fruit of prayer is faith. The fruit of faith is love. The fruit of love is service and the fruit of service is peace."

THE SAINT OF THE WEEK

September 27th – **St. Vincent de Paul**

St. Vincent de Paul was the founder of the Vincentians in 1625 and the Daughters of Charity in 1633. He is known as the Saint of All Charitable Endeavors. His focus on the poor as the face of Christ and service to them is essential in coming to understand him and the practical love in service he had shown. St. Vincent de Paul reformed the Church in France and even after 400 years, he can speak today to the 33 branches of the Vincentian Family tree about the ongoing need to serve the most vulnerable in our society and care for the spiritual needs of those who are poor in spirit.

**September 24 –
September 30**

Monday, September 24

Proverbs 3:27-34
Luke 8:16-18

Tuesday, September 25

Proverbs 21:1-6,10-13
Luke 8:19-21

Wednesday, September 26

Saints Cosmas and Damien, Martyrs
Proverbs 30:5-9
Luke 9:1-6

Thursday, September 27

Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest
Ecclesiastes 1:2-11
Luke 9:7-9

Friday, September 28

*Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr; Saint
Lawrence Ruiz and Companion,
Martyrs*
Ecclesiastes 3:1-11
Luke 9:18-22

Saturday, September 29

Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,
Archangels
Daniel 7:9-10,13-14
John 1:47-51

Sunday, September 30

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY
TIME
Numbers 11:25-29
James 5:1-6
Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48

PRAYER REQUESTS

We ask the charity of your prayers for the following members and friends of our parish who are ill:

Y'Blim Adrong, Paul Adup, Claude Anderson, Carl and Barbara Brady, Terry Bradshaw, Mickey Burchfield, Maria Castillo (mother of Victor Castillo), Mary Ann Coleman, Anita Davis, Peggy Daye, Celeste Donohue, Chuck Dupuis, Gwen Drummer, Heather Emper, John Garrett, John Harris, Emily and Joan Harrison, Therese Hatch, Ashley Henry, Marie Isley, Christine C. Jones (mother of Vivian Porter), Craig Jones, Loretta Jones, Ellen Kerr, Tom Kerr, Michael Cel Kmok, Daniel Kramer, C.M., Essie Laughlin, Brenda MacDonald, Carol McFarland, Betty McKinney, Daniel McMillan, Harry McNeill, Ashley Moore, Kinsley Nellis, H' Ju Nie, Charles Norman, Gabrielle Parker, Cheryl, Billy, Kim, Neal, and Paris Patillo, Sharon Pauling, John Poe, Marianne Polickoski, Fr. Robert J. Prior, C.M., Halo Rankin, Victor Rice, Pat Roberts, Sherry Ross, Melinda Ruffin, Mary Scotton, Deacon Vincent Shaw, Rose Simpson, Rosetta Smith (mother of Laura Scales), Father Robert Stone, C.M., Thomas Scott, Stu Shaw, Joey Shaw, Florine Stafford, Ana Swauger, Michael Taylor, Sandra Tinnely, Helen Walson, Mandy Weaver, Shalonda Williams, Theresa Womack, the family of Samantha Wright and Deborah Zargham.

MASS INTENTIONS

5:30 PM – For the repose of the soul of Mrs. Beatrice Smith, requested by Karla McLucas on behalf of Ja'Kayla Chapman

11:00 AM - For the Repose of the Soul of Anthony Akoto, requested by Helen Inedu

THE ANIMA CHRISTI

Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from Christ's side, wash me. Passion of Christ, strengthen me. O good Jesus, hear me. Within Your wounds, hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from You. In the hour of my death, call me and bid me come unto You that I may praise You with Your saints and with Your angels forever and ever. Amen.

** The Anima Christi is a prayer from around the 14th century. It is still widely used after receiving the body and blood of Our Lord, Jesus Christ in Holy Communion.*

Liturgical Ministers –September 29 – September 30

Mass	Readers	Eucharistic Ministers	Music Ministry
5:30 PM	Thelma Hatchett	Charles Bostic	Pat King
8:30 AM	Irene Essien-Akpan	MaryJane Okafor – Chika Okafor Bem K – Bom Ka	Kevin Sierra
11:00 AM	Anthony Nsiah	Ezenwa Ike – Jan Chapman-Braxton Chris Walson – Edith Walson	Al Baxter

Parish Weekly Events

SECOND COLLECTION FOR THE 2018 PRIESTS' RETIREMENT & BENEFITS - TODAY

The dedicated priests who served in the past now deserve to live out their retirement years in dignity. St. Mary's has been assessed \$12,239.00 for the priests' retirement and benefits plans. This amount is slightly less than two times the regular weekend offertory. Please be as generous as you can with today's second collection. Additional envelopes are available in the parish office.

MULTILINGUAL MASS IN HONOR OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Please note that on Thursday, September 27, there will be a Multilingual Mass to honor St. Vincent de Paul, the founder of the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity. The Mass will be held in the Parish Center and will begin at 8:00 PM. All are invited to attend.

IGBO MASS UPDATE

Please note that Igbo Mass will not take place on Sunday, September 23 as planned due to scheduling changes caused by Hurricane Florence. The new date will be Sunday, October 28. It will take place at 12:00 noon in the church. For more information, please call 336.707.3625.

LADIES' AUXILIARY RETREAT

This year's theme: "Building (or lifting) Each Other Up." The theme for this year's retreat comes from Thessalonians 5:11: "Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as in fact you are doing." Please join us on Saturday, October 6 from 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM here at St. Mary's. Our leader will be Marie Castillo and Fr. Bill will lead our Mass. Cost: \$30.00 each. Snacks and lunch will be provided. All communities are invited to attend! Please register & make your payment to either Gloria Bauman, Mercy Kakhu or Elaine McHale. Make checks payable to: Ladies' Auxiliary of St. Mary's Catholic Church. The registration deadline is October 1.

Parish Doings

THANK YOU, FATHER CHARLIE!

Wishing you all the very best and God bless.

September 23 – Father Charlie departs

**Father Charlie's new address will be: De Andreis House
124 Cotton Street
Philadelphia, PA 19127**

Father Charlie e-mail address (cstrollo1@gmail.com) will remain the same.

Father Charlie cellular number (215.341.1313) will remain the same.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RAFFLE

The Knight of Columbus council 8684 of St. Mary's is selling state raffle tickets. They may be purchased from any Knight for only \$5.00 each.

ST. MARY'S WEEKLY DIOCESAN SUPPORT APPEAL (DSA) REPORT

Target amount -\$40,979.00

Amount collected - \$50,297.10

WHO WE ARE AT ST. MARY'S

- Did you know that every Friday evening, Linh Dang, Vy Pham, Vy Nguyen, Van Pham, Nga Huynh - all volunteers from the Vietnamese community - beautify the Church with floral arrangements? If you should see them, please thank them and all who contribute to the floral fund that brings God's beauty into our sanctuary.

- If you've been to St. Mary's Grotto recently, you might have noticed new stone inserts. This was a contribution by the Road Runner Lawn Care Service owned and operated by our parishioners Héctor González and his wife María Banda. All of our landscaping needs are being met by Road Runner. ¡Muchas gracias!

- If you know of a parishioner who has done or is doing exemplary work in the Parish or in the outside community, please e-mail Father Bill at wa@niagara.edu.

PARISH WEBSITE

Please be sure to visit the Parish Website and its new section on Vincentian Family news and the new link, cmeast.org. St. Mary's website address is stmarysgreensboro.org. Please note that both the Diocesan Support Appeal video is on the parish website in English and in Spanish.

LET'S USE THE WINDSOR CENTER PARKING LOT

Windsor Center has given us 52 parking spaces EVERY SUNDAY and on special occasions. We ask you to use Windsor Center Parking Lot. Thank you.

DRIVING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Refugee Ministry at St. Mary's Parish needs volunteers (with reliable vehicles) who will help to transport refugees to Mass every Sunday. Most of the families live about 2 miles from St. Mary's Church, at "Legacy Crossing" off Franklyn Boulevard in Greensboro. For details contact Chris Walson at (336) 383.0795, or Chris Fombin at (336) 339.7251. If you are willing and able to drive parishioners to Mass on Sundays, please see Father Bill.

Invitations to Celebrate Our Faith

SECOND COLLECTION FOR BACKPACK BEGINNINGS

Mr. Michael Woyahn will speak to parishioners at all Masses the weekend of October 13 & 14 about the Backpack Beginnings program. Please note that a second collection to benefit this program will be collected that same weekend. This is a program established to deliver meals to nutritionally challenged youth on weekends. St. Mary's delivers to our neighbor, Hampton Elementary, off on English Road. Please be as generous as possible.

CULTURE OF LIFE – A PRO-LIFE CORNER

WEEK 27 - My nervous system is continuing to develop so I can breathe and swallow. It also helps to regulate my body temperature so I will not be too hot.

UPCOMING PRO-LIFE EVENTS

October will be a busy month for pro-life efforts! The following events will be taking place:

* Life Chain – Sunday, October 7 from 2:30 PM – 3:30 PM - on Battleground Avenue.

*Room at the Inn fund-raising banquet – Thursday, October 11. It will be held at the Sheraton Greensboro (at Four Seasons Mall). Reservations are required. For additional information, please contact Marianne Donadio at 336.391.6299.

*Public Square Rosary Crusade – Saturday, October 13 - 12:00 noon - behind the Parish Center.

*The rosary is prayed every Saturday morning at 9:00 AM at the abortion clinic on 2425 Randleman Road in Greensboro.

For additional information about the aforementioned events, please call Bernie McHale or Elaine McHale at 336.292.1118.

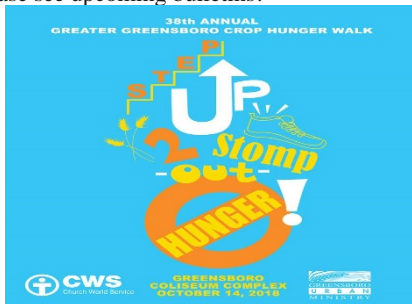
STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Christian Stewardship trains us to become aware that God is the ultimate giver of the gifts we have. To give to God should be “from the top” – not what may be left over.

PARISH GIFT
\$5,957.00
THANK YOU!

2018 GREENSBORO CROP WALK

St. Mary's will be participating in this year's Crop Walk. It will be held on Sunday, October 14. For registration and more details, please see upcoming bulletins!



Community News

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Our Lady of Grace Catholic School would like to collect "Box Tops for Education" to support funding for programs within the school. Box tops can be found on many popular brands including General Mills Cereals, Ziploc Brand Storage Bags, Betty Crocker Fruit Snacks, and Hefty Brand Waste Bags. A collection box has been placed in the vestibule of the Parish Center. Thank you for supporting Catholic Education in Greensboro!

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE FRANCISCAN CENTER

The first program in the Franciscan Center of Greensboro Speaker Series will be presented on Thursday, September 27th. The topic, The Detention of Undocumented Immigrants: Why Should It Matter to the Rest of Us? will be presented by Faith Action Network at the Franciscan Center, 233 N. Greene Street, Greensboro. The program is from 11:45 AM to 1:00 PM, beginning with a light lunch which is provided. A \$5.00

donation is requested. Please call the Franciscan Center at (336) 273.2554 to make your reservation.

SAVE THE DATE!

The African American Affairs Ministry of the Diocese of Charlotte will sponsor a conference entitled "Responding with Social Justice: How we as Catholics can promote political responsibility, be informed and active citizens and drive the values that guide our communities." The conference will be held on **Saturday, September 29** from 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM at the Catholic Conference Center in Hickory. There is no cost to attend and lunch will be provided. Please be advised that registration is required; please register at <https://www.regonline.com/respondingsocialjustice>.



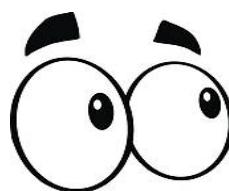
The conference will be led by **Ralph McCloud**, Director of Catholic Campaign for Human Development for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in Washington, DC. Please note that transportation to the conference will be provided. **A bus will depart from St. Mary's at 6:45 AM on September 29.** Please be certain to arrive at least 15 minutes prior to the departure time. For additional information, please call the Catholic Conference Center at (828) 237.7441 or visit <https://catholicconference.org/>.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM BISHOP MCGUINNESS

Come see what the Bishop Experience is all about! Join us for a group tour or Villain Walk on Wednesday, October 3rd from 9 AM-10 AM. Brief information session and coffee in the school library at 9:00 AM followed by a tour until 10:00 AM. Villain Walks will be hosted throughout the year: October 3rd, November 8th, February 27th and March 7th. For more information or a private tour, call the admissions Office at 336.564.1011 or kknox@bmhs.us.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM OUR LADY OF GRACE

The All Night First Friday-First Saturday Vigil will take place on October 5 and 6 at Our Lady of Grace. It begins with the First Friday Holy Mass at 6:30 PM on Friday, October 5 and ends with Holy Mass on Saturday, October 6, at 8:00 AM. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after the First Friday Holy Mass from 7:30 PM – 8:30 PM. This night of love will include the scriptural rosaries, the Nine Offices of the Sacred Heart, silent adoration, Saturday Office Readings for the Immaculate Heart, Divine Mercy Chaplet and more. Join us for part or all of this beautiful evening in honor and in reparation to the Two Hearts of Jesus and Mary. Families are encouraged to come. Bring blankets and pillows for the little ones to sleep in the pews. For more information contact Geri Breeding @ [336.420.1430](tel:3364201430) or OLG @ 336.274.6520.



**LOOK FOR NEW
BULLETIN NEWS NEXT WEEK!**